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1. This report is the international preliminary examination report, established by this International Preliminary Examining Authority under Article 35 and transmitted to the applicant according to Article 36.

2. This REPORT consists of a total of 3 sheets, including this cover sheet.

3. This report is also accompanied by ANNEXES, comprising:

a. ☐ *(sent to the applicant and to the International Bureau)* a total of _____ sheets, as follows:

☐ sheets of the description, claims and/or drawings which have been amended and are the basis of this report and/or sheets containing rectifications authorized by this Authority (see Rule 70.16 and Section 607 of the Administrative Instructions).

☐ sheets which supersede earlier sheets, but which this Authority considers contain an amendment that goes beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed, as indicated in item 4 of Box No. I and the Supplemental Box.

b. ☐ *(sent to the International Bureau only)* a total of (indicate type and number of electronic carrier(s)) _____, containing a sequence listing and/or tables related thereto, in computer readable form only, as indicated in the Supplemental Box Relating to Sequence Listing (see Section 802 of the Administrative Instructions).

4. This report contains indications relating to the following items:

- ☒ Box No. I Basis of the report
- ☐ Box No. II Priority
- ☐ Box No. III Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability
- ☐ Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention
- ☒ Box No. V Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement
- ☐ Box No. VI Certain documents cited
- ☐ Box No. VII Certain defects in the international application
- ☐ Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

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Box No. I Basis of the report

1. With regard to the **language**, this report is based on the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

☐ This report is based on translations from the original language into the following language _____, which is language of a translation furnished for the purpose of:

☐ international search (under Rules 12.3 and 23.1(b))

☐ publication of the international application (under Rule 12.4)

☐ international preliminary examination (under Rules 55.2 and/or 55.3)

2. With regard to the **elements** of the international application, this report is based on *(replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report)*:

☒ The international application as originally filed/furnished

☐ the description:

pages _____, as originally filed/furnished

pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____

pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____

☐ the claims:

pages _____, as originally filed/furnished

pages* _____, as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19

pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____

pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____

☐ the drawings:

pages _____, as originally filed/furnished

pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____

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☐ a sequence listing and/or any related table(s) – see Supplemental Box Relating to Sequence Listing.

3. ☐ The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:

☐ the description, pages _____

☐ the claims, Nos. _____

☐ the drawings, sheets/figs _____

☐ the sequence listing *(specify)*: _____

☐ any table(s) related to sequence listing *(specify)*: _____

4. ☐ This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments annexed to this report and listed below had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).

☐ the description, pages _____

☐ the claims, Nos. _____

☐ the drawings, sheets/figs _____

☐ the sequence listing *(specify)*: _____

☐ any table(s) related to sequence listing *(specify)*: _____

* *If item 4 applies, some or all of those sheets may be marked "superseded."*

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Box No. V **Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement**

1. Statement

Novelty (N)	Claims	1-11	YES
	Claims		NO
Inventive step (IS)	Claims		YES
	Claims	1-11	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-11	YES
	Claims		NO

2. Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Document 1: JP, 57-41765, A (Fujitsu Ltd.), 9 March, 1982 (09.03.82)
Document 2: JP, 7-160933, A (Sharp Corp.), 23 June, 1995 (23.06.95)
Document 3: JP, 2-22435, B2 (Glory Ltd.), 18 May, 1990 (18.05.90)
Document 4: JP, 62-59354, B2 (Fuji Electric Co., Ltd.), 10 December, 1987 (10.12.87)
Document 5: JP, 3-90380, U (Oki Electric Industry Co., Ltd.), 13 September, 1991 (13.09.91)

The subject matter of claim 1 does not appear to involve an inventive step in view of document 1 (page 2, lower left column) cited in the ISR, newly cited document 2 (paragraphs [0023]-[0025]) and document 3 (column 5, line 21 to column 6, line 33) cited in the ISR. A person skilled in the art could have easily (1) used the battery and self-holding circuit taught by document 2 in the device of document 1 and (2) used the identifying device, temporary reserving section, strongbox and sensor taught by document 3 in the device of document 1.

The subject matters of claims 2-4 do not appear to involve an inventive step in view of documents 1-3 and document 4 (column 3, line 32 to column 7, line 9) cited in the ISR. A person skilled in the art could have easily used the carrying mechanism section and sensor taught by document 4 in the device of document 1.

The subject matter of claim 5 does not appear to involve an inventive step in view of documents 1-4. The self-holding circuit taught by document 2 is only required to temporarily hold the electric power, and how to assemble the circuit is a mere matter of design variation.

The subject matters of claims 6-8 do not appear to involve an inventive step in view of documents 1-4 and newly cited document 5 (specification, page 7, lines 10-20). A person skilled in the art could have easily used the thyristor inverter taught by document 5 in the device of document 1.

The subject matter of claim 9 does not appear to involve an inventive step in view of documents 1-5. It is well known to charge a battery using the current from an AC power source.

The subject matters of claims 10 and 11 do not appear to involve an inventive step in view of documents 1-5. It is a well-known technical matter to use pulses as a means for selectively switching an electronic circuit into a conductive state or a non-conductive state.